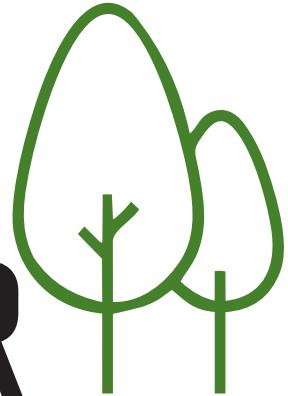


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This book has been written to have full grasp of nature and causes of Land Degradation, methods of evaluation, characterisation and control measures for maintaining its productivity. The vast area of land degradation has been covered in a simple and concise form.

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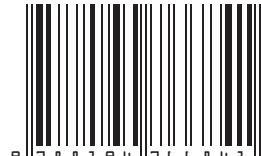
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